

livestock slaughter



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MARCH RED MEAT PRODUCTION DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM 1971: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 3,277 million pounds in March, down 1 percent from a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in federally inspected and other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

BEEF PRODUCTION UNCHANGED FROM A YEAR EARLIER: Beef production in March was 1,866 million pounds, the same as was produced in March 1971. Cattle killed totaled 3,030,300 head, down 1 percent from a year earlier. Live weight per head was 1,043 pounds, 4 pounds more than March 1971.

VEAL OUTPUT 15 PERCENT BELOW MARCH 1971: There were 41 million pounds of veal produced during March, down 15 percent from 1971. The 318,900 calves slaughtered were also 15 percent below a year earlier. Live weight per head was 229 pounds, up one pound from March 1971.

PORK PRODUCTION DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: Pork production in March totaled 1,319 million pounds, down 1 percent from a year earlier. Hog kill totaled 8,402,400 head, down 7 percent from March 1971. Live weight per head was 237 pounds, 2 pounds more than a year earlier. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 7.9 pounds compared with 9.6 in March 1971.

LAMB AND MUTTON UNCHANGED FROM MARCH 1971: There were 51 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in March, the same as a year earlier. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 948,900 head, down 1 percent. Average live weight was 108 pounds, 1 pound more than a year earlier.

POULTRY PRODUCTION UP 4 PERCENT FROM MARCH 1971: Production of poultry meat during March totaled 826 million pounds, ready-to-cook basis. This is 4 percent more than a year earlier and 9 percent more than in February.

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Commercial Meat and Lard Production: 48 States, March 1972 with comparisons 1/

Kind	March	February	March	March 1972 as % of		January-March 5/		
	1971	1972	1972	Mar. 1971	Feb. 1972	1971	1972	1972 as % of 1971
	Million pounds			Percent		Million pounds		Percent
Beef	1,866	1,715	1,866	100	109	5,300	5,373	101
Veal	48	37	41	85	111	133	118	89
Pork 2/	1,333	*1,078	1,319	99	122	3,671	3,500	95
Lamb & Mutton	51	44	51	100	116	145	142	98
Total Red Meat	3,298	*2,874	3,277	99	114	9,249	9,133	99
Poultry 3/	791	758	826	104	109	2,211	2,409	109
Lard 4/	203	*112	157	77	140	518	400	77

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms. 2/ Excludes lard and rendered pork fat. 3/ Chicken and turkey meat ready-to-cook basis, excludes slaughter on farms. 4/ Includes rendered pork fat. 5/ Accumulated totals based on unrounded data.

* Revised.

Commercial Livestock Slaughter: 48 States, March 1972 with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit	March	February	March	March 1972 as % of		January-March 2/		
		1971	1972	1972	Mar. 1971	Feb. 1972	1971	1972	1972 as % of 1971
					Percent		Percent		
CATTLE									
<u>Number</u>									
Fed. Insp.	thou.	2,680.9	2,456.5	2,698.0	101	110	7,549.2	7,710.3	102
Other	thou.	365.7	317.6	332.3	91	105	1,038.0	982.5	95
Total	thou.	3,046.6	2,774.1	3,030.3	99	109	8,587.2	8,692.8	101
<u>Live Weight</u>									
Per Head	lb.	1,039	1,045	1,043	100	100	1,042	1,045	100
Total	mil. lb.	3,166	2,900	3,159	100	109	8,952	9,086	101
CALVES									
<u>Number</u>									
Fed. Insp.	thou.	299.3	217.4	254.9	85	117	782.8	698.2	89
Other	thou.	78.0	59.2	64.0	82	108	223.4	186.5	83
Total	thou.	377.3	276.6	318.9	85	115	1,006.2	884.7	88
<u>Live Weight</u>									
Per Head	lb.	228	241	229	100	95	235	238	101
Total	mil. lb.	86	67	73	85	109	236	211	89
HOGS									
<u>Number</u>									
Fed. Insp.	thou.	8,265.9	6,280.2	7,793.9	94	124	22,133.8	20,469.4	92
Other	thou.	722.4	548.6	608.5	84	111	2,122.6	1,779.1	84
Total	thou.	8,988.3	6,828.8	8,402.4	93	123	24,256.4	22,248.5	92
<u>Live Weight</u>									
Per Head	lb.	235	234	237	101	101	236	237	100
Total	mil. lb.	2,109	1,601	1,991	94	124	5,717	5,262	92
SHEEP & LAMBS									
<u>Number</u>									
Fed. Insp.	thou.	920.2	800.8	902.8	98	113	2,628.7	2,550.4	97
Other	thou.	35.5	30.1	46.1	130	153	96.9	110.2	114
Total	thou.	955.7	830.9	948.9	99	114	2,725.6	2,660.6	98
<u>Live Weight</u>									
Per Head	lb.	107	108	108	101	100	107	108	101
Total	mil. lb.	102	90	103	101	114	293	287	98

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms. 2/ Accumulated totals based on unrounded data.

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
NEW ENG..	15.2	13.8	16,603	15,278	43.1	41.0	47,182	45,746
N.Y.....	31.0	28.0	35,216	31,416	90.0	77.9	102,069	88,942
N.J.....	29.0	21.5	37,178	27,456	81.7	62.2	104,942	79,820
PA.....	55.5	55.5	63,658	63,048	158.5	161.0	181,950	182,603
OHIO.....	94.0	91.0	98,888	94,822	270.0	269.5	281,202	283,057
IND.....	52.0	38.5	53,872	39,078	152.5	115.5	157,136	117,488
ILL.....	116.0	122.0	118,900	126,758	332.0	346.0	343,902	360,646
MICH.....	72.5	51.5	78,372	56,032	188.5	158.0	204,007	170,846
WISC.....	81.5	89.0	92,176	101,371	245.0	270.0	278,038	308,349
MINN.....	135.0	126.0	149,985	139,356	397.0	368.0	439,858	407,980
IOWA.....	338.0	386.0	359,970	404,142	1,032.0	1,115.0	1,102,772	1,172,210
MO.....	87.0	78.0	90,828	80,184	224.0	234.0	233,582	241,166
N.DAK.....	17.0	16.7	18,972	19,656	52.0	46.4	57,063	53,675
S.DAK.....	37.0	42.0	40,219	44,394	120.5	124.5	130,439	131,580
NEBR.....	396.0	399.0	432,432	430,920	1,121.0	1,133.0	1,227,210	1,222,152
KANS.....	198.0	207.0	208,098	220,041	559.0	596.0	590,807	641,943
DEL.-MD..	9.4	9.2	9,934	10,010	26.0	27.4	27,915	29,632
VA.....	11.6	12.6	11,983	13,230	34.3	35.2	35,631	36,837
W.VA.....	4.6	4.5	4,881	4,792	13.9	13.8	14,525	14,399
N.C.....	13.7	13.7	13,782	13,152	39.3	38.4	38,984	36,851
S.C.....	6.3	6.1	5,361	4,813	18.2	17.4	15,379	14,182
GA.....	25.5	24.5	22,414	22,074	69.0	67.7	61,522	61,470
FLA.....	36.5	34.5	36,244	34,224	102.5	98.0	100,686	96,863
KY.....	22.3	16.4	21,252	15,908	64.2	49.6	61,648	47,798
TENN.....	49.0	43.5	48,314	43,239	135.5	124.0	134,569	123,982
ALA.....	9.3	8.4	8,110	7,484	25.2	23.4	21,875	20,727
MISS.....	23.6	23.2	20,461	20,230	66.4	59.7	57,903	51,830
ARK.....	15.6	14.1	14,305	13,212	42.0	39.5	38,628	36,973
LA.....	13.1	15.3	11,672	14,351	37.2	45.3	32,880	42,691
OKLA.....	54.5	48.5	53,083	47,530	151.5	145.0	146,863	141,908
TEXAS.....	312.0	292.0	282,360	267,764	841.0	811.0	763,773	744,006
MONT.....	17.6	19.1	18,410	20,055	42.0	52.9	43,704	55,705
IDAHO.....	33.5	32.5	35,812	35,132	95.0	98.0	102,109	105,255
WYO.....	1.6	1.6	1,589	1,616	4.7	4.6	4,643	4,646
COLO.....	204.0	219.0	207,672	227,979	524.0	604.0	536,415	638,404
N.MEX.....	31.5	34.0	30,807	33,116	88.5	97.0	87,183	94,766
ARIZ.....	45.5	47.5	45,318	52,108	124.5	135.0	124,467	142,120
UTAH.....	22.5	23.6	23,738	26,314	65.0	68.9	68,540	75,703
NEV.....	2.2	2.5	2,233	2,490	6.1	6.7	6,141	6,674
WASH.....	48.0	52.0	51,648	56,836	133.5	152.0	144,434	167,079
OREG.....	27.5	25.5	28,518	27,056	75.9	75.3	79,211	80,225
CALIF.....	251.0	241.0	260,538	250,640	695.0	685.0	720,254	706,244
48 STATES	3,046.6	3,030.3	3,165,806	3,159,307	8,587.2	8,692.8	8,952,041	9,085,673
HAWAII...	5.5	5.1	5,242	4,564	15.5	16.4	14,937	14,895
U. S.....	3,052.1	3,035.4	3,171,048	3,163,871	8,602.7	8,709.2	8,966,978	9,100,568

1/ INCLUDES SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AND OTHER COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, EXCLUDES FARM SLAUGHTER.

2/ NEW ENGLAND INCLUDES MAINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, VERMONT, MASSACHUSETTS, RHODE ISLAND AND CONNECTICUT. COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER NOT ESTIMATED IN ALASKA.

COMMERCIAL CALF SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
NEW ENG..	27.6	27.1	2,893	2,622	64.0	62.8	6,803	6,511
N.Y.....	92.5	84.5	9,620	9,380	201.5	189.5	21,226	20,777
N.J.....	29.0	22.0	8,091	6,710	82.2	72.9	22,539	21,628
PA.....	32.0	27.5	4,160	3,960	90.0	76.1	12,077	10,619
OHIO.....	5.1	5.1	949	989	14.3	13.8	2,683	2,715
IND.....	3.6	3.7	709	784	10.9	11.4	2,177	2,380
ILL.....	17.3	7.0	3,045	1,435	49.2	21.7	8,483	4,487
MICH.....	11.4	9.1	1,744	1,520	33.4	28.3	5,330	4,801
WISC.....	27.5	24.4	3,960	4,124	87.0	80.4	12,072	12,328
MINN.....	.7	.6	136	112	2.1	1.6	381	314
IOWA.....	22.1	15.8	3,868	2,765	63.4	53.2	11,007	9,847
MO.....	1.3	1.4	358	407	3.6	4.3	1,013	1,256
N.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
S.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
NEBR.....	.4	.4	142	142	.9	1.3	321	465
KANS.....	.1	---	47	---	.3	.1	123	36
DEL.-MD..	2.0	1.4	472	381	5.3	4.4	1,248	1,092
VA.....	9.9	7.4	2,822	2,650	26.8	24.1	8,342	6,919
W.VA.....	.2	.1	42	20	.6	.4	135	85
N.C.....	.5	1.4	126	326	1.3	4.3	325	1,020
S.C.....	12.4	10.8	5,617	5,540	33.0	31.2	15,313	15,578
GA.....	1.3	2.4	512	1,042	3.9	5.9	1,537	2,600
FLA.....	7.8	8.4	2,488	1,184	24.6	25.7	7,413	5,489
KY.....	.2	.3	46	80	.5	.8	119	208
TENN.....	9.2	9.9	3,192	3,307	28.1	29.2	9,664	9,925
ALA.....	.2	.3	86	113	.6	1.1	259	469
MISS.....	5.8	4.5	3,422	2,583	16.9	11.9	9,845	6,957
ARK.....	.4	.3	209	160	1.3	.9	670	488
LA.....	17.6	14.4	9,504	7,891	48.4	42.0	25,627	22,590
OKLA.....	.7	.4	340	182	1.6	1.0	769	458
TEXAS....	20.0	14.1	11,240	8,305	57.8	42.7	32,352	24,637
MONT.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
IDAH.....	.2	.1	72	36	.3	.2	109	72
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	---	.1	---	21
COLO.....	.2	---	56	---	.5	---	147	---
N.MEX....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ARIZ.....	.3	.3	151	137	.7	.8	349	374
UTAH.....	.3	.3	130	122	.9	.7	360	288
NEV.....	.1	.1	37	37	.3	.3	116	116
WASH.....	.9	.9	300	273	2.3	2.5	754	820
OREG.....	.7	.5	234	174	2.2	1.7	730	625
CALIF....	15.8	12.0	5,151	4,032	43.5	35.4	13,948	11,829
48 STATES	377.3	318.9	85,971	72,925	1,006.2	884.7	236,066	210,824
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	377.3	318.9	85,971	72,925	1,006.2	884.7	236,066	210,824

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COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
NEW ENGL..	6.8	6.5	1,664	1,610	20.4	19.9	5,262	4,971
N.Y.....	94.5	90.5	21,830	20,815	266.5	256.0	61,082	58,880
N.J.....	47.5	36.5	9,738	7,190	138.0	105.5	28,381	20,939
PA.....	406.0	400.0	90,132	89,200	1,052.0	1,091.0	235,972	242,319
OHIO.....	431.0	390.0	96,113	87,750	1,193.0	1,100.0	266,444	246,442
IND.....	432.0	369.0	108,000	90,036	1,167.0	962.0	292,582	238,987
ILL.....	555.0	622.0	133,755	153,634	1,474.0	1,612.0	357,561	393,118
MICH.....	326.0	360.0	77,914	86,760	877.0	979.0	208,245	235,937
WISC.....	383.0	354.0	88,856	82,482	1,027.0	899.0	239,840	209,738
MINN.....	566.0	488.0	136,406	117,608	1,541.0	1,319.0	370,601	317,501
IOWA.....	2,304.0	2,089.0	543,744	499,271	6,226.0	5,383.0	1,486,140	1,284,950
MO.....	232.0	202.0	56,840	50,500	608.0	521.0	148,238	127,522
N.DAK....	3.2	2.9	717	673	9.9	7.9	2,230	1,798
S.DAK....	271.0	262.0	66,937	63,666	725.0	645.0	179,219	157,688
NEBR.....	270.0	250.0	65,610	60,750	686.0	620.0	167,240	152,227
KANS.....	229.0	210.0	55,189	51,450	586.0	547.0	141,814	134,680
DEL.-MD..	46.5	48.9	9,962	10,540	144.7	139.0	31,214	30,238
VA.....	313.0	307.0	70,425	72,759	844.0	820.0	190,191	191,520
W.VA.....	6.6	6.4	1,663	1,766	22.2	19.9	5,556	4,986
N.C.....	192.0	169.0	40,896	37,518	533.0	480.0	114,211	106,708
S.C.....	48.0	42.5	11,040	10,072	129.5	123.5	30,197	29,678
GA.....	206.0	200.0	45,526	44,800	569.0	539.0	126,158	120,168
FLA.....	62.0	58.0	12,710	12,064	178.0	165.0	35,611	33,674
KY.....	202.0	184.0	47,672	44,528	550.0	490.0	129,494	120,595
TENN.....	305.0	287.0	71,675	67,732	819.0	773.0	195,794	181,488
ALA.....	77.5	84.5	17,670	20,196	206.0	240.5	47,549	57,407
MISS.....	134.0	120.0	29,748	26,640	367.0	284.0	80,681	63,252
ARK.....	48.5	43.0	11,204	11,051	135.5	125.5	31,562	31,883
LA.....	20.2	18.4	4,222	3,864	58.5	55.7	12,328	11,970
OKLA.....	107.0	94.5	26,643	23,814	284.0	235.5	71,433	60,421
TEXAS....	216.0	183.0	50,976	42,273	593.0	531.0	141,113	125,481
MONT.....	36.5	36.5	8,614	8,578	103.5	103.0	23,916	24,071
IDAHO....	13.4	11.7	2,975	2,574	39.3	33.0	8,759	7,293
WYO.....	2.0	2.0	464	444	5.9	5.7	1,352	1,290
COLO.....	104.0	104.0	24,024	23,920	279.5	277.5	64,740	64,002
N.MEX....	10.1	10.5	2,313	2,457	29.2	30.5	6,704	7,088
ARIZ.....	22.9	17.2	5,313	3,956	58.7	48.9	13,652	11,277
UTAH.....	7.7	8.4	1,702	1,814	22.8	24.3	4,913	5,157
NEV.....	.2	.5	41	108	.8	1.3	169	285
WASH.....	81.5	64.0	18,664	14,784	229.0	180.5	52,520	41,883
OREG.....	20.7	21.0	4,761	4,746	58.5	58.9	13,475	13,464
CALIF....	148.0	148.0	34,484	34,780	399.0	396.0	93,105	89,094
48 STATES	8,988.3	8,402.4	2,108,832	1,991,173	24,256.4	22,248.5	5,717,248	5,262,070
HAWAII...	4.0	4.5	768	842	10.8	12.2	2,016	2,240
U. S.....	8,992.3	8,406.9	2,109,600	1,992,015	24,267.2	22,260.7	5,719,264	5,264,310

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COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1.0	3.0	88	246	2.6	4.7	232	394
N.Y.....	6.2	13.7	546	1,055	16.0	23.4	1,555	2,060
N.J.....	66.0	69.0	6,600	7,107	194.0	202.5	19,585	20,586
PA.....	10.7	12.1	1,006	1,150	27.5	32.2	2,609	3,110
OHIO.....	6.3	7.3	630	701	16.9	18.3	1,690	1,806
IND.....	.5	1.7	42	156	1.8	4.6	174	417
ILL.....	59.0	42.0	6,490	4,578	170.0	119.0	18,700	12,894
MICH.....	33.5	37.5	3,283	3,975	93.5	103.5	9,343	10,971
WISC.....	.1	.2	9	20	.4	.5	38	51
MINN.....	21.1	21.1	2,300	2,321	74.1	68.0	7,995	7,332
IOWA.....	38.0	39.0	4,142	4,095	114.5	121.0	12,248	12,783
MO.....	1.2	1.5	122	148	10.4	4.2	1,055	431
N.DAK....	.1	---	10	---	.2	.2	22	21
S.DAK....	34.5	38.5	3,760	4,158	109.5	107.5	11,819	11,472
NEBR.....	84.0	77.0	9,156	8,393	256.0	226.0	27,537	24,328
KANS.....	.3	.6	31	62	.7	1.2	76	128
DEL.-MD..	4.1	4.8	430	489	11.5	14.5	1,184	1,508
VA.....	.1	.2	10	19	.3	.4	30	38
W.VA.....	.3	.3	30	32	.8	.7	81	72
N.C.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	10	10
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
GA.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
FLA.....	.1	.2	8	13	.1	.2	8	13
KY.....	14.9	13.4	1,654	1,487	53.3	41.2	5,798	4,479
TENN.....	2.8	5.3	283	541	7.0	19.7	707	2,015
ALA.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ARK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	10	---
LA.....	.3	.5	24	42	.9	.8	68	70
OKLA.....	.2	.3	20	30	.6	.6	58	59
TEXAS....	167.0	145.0	16,533	14,790	424.0	359.0	42,748	36,416
MONT.....	.1	.1	10	10	.5	.4	51	40
IDAHO....	.8	.9	83	100	2.2	2.7	228	301
WYO.....	.2	.2	23	22	.5	.6	55	72
COLO.....	141.0	178.0	15,792	20,826	413.0	520.0	47,220	59,464
N.MEX....	7.9	10.4	916	1,092	22.5	26.7	2,578	2,913
ARIZ.....	.1	.2	11	21	.3	.3	34	32
UTAH.....	61.0	45.0	6,710	5,220	179.5	143.5	19,447	15,862
NEV.....	.1	.1	10	10	.4	.5	40	51
WASH.....	16.0	14.7	1,840	1,632	54.8	46.4	6,241	5,187
OREG.....	10.2	8.1	1,122	875	27.1	19.5	2,922	2,106
CALIF....	166.0	157.0	18,094	17,113	438.0	426.0	48,417	47,101
48 STATES	955.7	948.9	101,818	102,529	2,725.6	2,660.6	292,613	286,593
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	955.7	948.9	101,818	102,529	2,725.6	2,660.6	292,613	286,593

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
MARCH 1971 AND 1972 1/

STATE 2/	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1,092	1,107	105	97	245	248	88	82
N.Y.....	1,136	1,122	104	111	231	230	88	77
N.J.....	1,282	1,277	279	305	205	197	100	103
PA.....	1,147	1,136	130	144	222	223	94	95
OHIO.....	1,052	1,042	186	194	223	225	100	96
IND.....	1,036	1,015	197	212	250	244	83	92
ILL.....	1,025	1,039	176	205	241	247	110	109
MICH.....	1,081	1,088	153	167	239	241	98	106
WISC.....	1,131	1,139	144	169	232	233	91	100
MINN.....	1,111	1,106	194	186	241	241	109	110
IOWA.....	1,065	1,047	175	175	236	239	109	105
MO.....	1,044	1,028	275	291	245	250	102	99
N.DAK.....	1,116	1,177	---	---	224	232	97	---
S.DAK.....	1,087	1,057	---	---	247	243	109	108
NEBR.....	1,092	1,080	355	356	243	243	109	109
KANS.....	1,051	1,063	473	---	241	245	103	104
DEL.-MD..	1,057	1,088	236	272	214	216	105	102
VA.....	1,033	1,050	285	277	225	237	97	95
W.VA.....	1,061	1,065	211	200	252	276	100	108
N.C.....	1,006	960	252	233	213	222	---	---
S.C.....	851	789	453	513	230	237	---	---
GA.....	879	901	394	434	221	224	---	---
FLA.....	993	992	319	141	205	208	75	67
KY.....	953	970	231	266	236	242	111	111
TENN.....	986	994	347	334	235	236	101	102
ALA.....	872	891	428	377	228	239	---	---
MISS.....	867	872	590	574	222	222	---	---
ARK.....	917	937	522	532	231	257	---	---
LA.....	891	938	540	548	209	210	81	85
OKLA.....	974	980	486	456	249	252	100	100
TEXAS.....	905	917	562	589	236	231	99	102
MONT.....	1,046	1,050	---	---	236	235	100	100
IDAHO.....	1,069	1,081	359	359	222	220	104	111
WYO.....	993	1,010	---	---	232	222	117	109
COLO.....	1,018	1,041	282	---	231	230	112	117
N.MEX.....	978	974	---	---	229	234	116	105
ARIZ.....	996	1,097	503	456	232	230	112	105
UTAH.....	1,055	1,115	434	405	221	216	110	116
NEV.....	1,015	996	367	367	205	217	100	100
WASH.....	1,076	1,093	333	303	229	231	115	111
OREG.....	1,037	1,061	334	349	230	226	110	108
CALIF.....	1,038	1,040	326	336	233	235	109	109
48 STATES	1,039	1,043	228	229	235	237	107	108
HAWAII...	953	895	---	---	192	187	---	---
U. S.....	1,039	1,042	228	229	235	237	107	108

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INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE APRIL 1, 1971: Between April 1, 1971 and March 31, 1972, 234 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. During March 1972 these plants slaughtered 91,800 cattle, 1,900 calves, 143,300 hogs, and 53,800 sheep and lambs. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since April 1, 1971 slaughtered about 68,000 cattle, less than 1,000 calves, 127,000 hogs, and 47,000 sheep and lambs during the last full month of operation under Federal inspection. Animals slaughtered in plants withdrawn from Federal inspection cannot be used to obtain a net change in slaughter since these animals may be diverted to existing or new plants under Federal inspection. Plants under suspension from Federal inspection are not included in the data for plants withdrawn from Federal inspection.

Federally inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in March 1972, compared with March 1971 is as follows: Cattle, 89.0 and 88.0 percent; calves, 79.9 and 79.3 percent; hogs, 92.8 and 92.0 percent; sheep and lambs, 95.1 and 96.3 percent.

March 1972 included 23 weekdays and 4 Saturdays, the same as in 1970.

Classification of Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection
48 States, March 1972 with comparisons 1/

Species	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.-Mar.		Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.-Mar.	
	1971	1972	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1972	1971	1972
	1,000 head					Percent of total				
<u>CATTLE:</u>										
Steers	1,513	1,355	1,542	4,158	4,304	56.4	55.1	57.2	55.1	55.8
Heifers	664	627	657	1,955	1,931	24.8	25.5	24.3	25.9	25.0
Cows	461	432	454	1,317	1,346	17.2	17.6	16.8	17.4	17.5
Bulls & stags	43	43	45	119	130	1.6	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.7
Total	2,681	2,457	2,698	7,549	7,711	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners & Cutters 2/	235	208	219	651	654	8.8	8.5	8.1	8.6	8.5
<u>HOGS:</u>										
Sows	389	297	324	1,157	964	4.7	4.7	4.2	5.2	4.7
Barrows & gilts	7,806	5,933	7,405	20,825	19,340	94.4	94.5	95.0	94.1	94.5
Stags & boars	71	50	65	152	165	.9	.8	.8	.7	.8
Total	8,266	6,280	7,794	22,134	20,469	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<u>SHEEP AND LAMBS:</u>										
Lambs & yearlings	864	771	858	2,494	2,440	93.9	96.3	95.0	94.9	95.6
Sheep	56	30	45	135	111	6.1	3.7	5.0	5.1	4.4
Total	920	801	903	2,629	2,551	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

1/ Species totals and cattle classes of steers, heifers, cows, and bulls reported by Meat Inspectors, FOD, APHIS. Canners and cutters and classification of hogs and sheep based on packer reports. 2/ Includes in cattle classification.

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